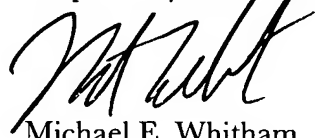


**REMARKS**

Claims 1- 8 are now pending in the application. Claims 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8, are being amended to eliminate multiple dependency of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Whitham', is written over the printed name.

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